THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) and (b) The Government has been providing assistance to the State Governments to enhance their capabilities to tackle the problem of insurgency. This *inter alia* includes modernization of State Police forces, reimbursement of security related expenditure and meeting the raising cost of India Reserve Battalions.

Crimes in the Country

833. PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the district-wise details of kidnapping, eve-teasing, murders, dacoity, kidnapping, bomb-blasts etc., committed in different States of the country during the last three years and till date; and

(b) the details of steps being taken or proposed to be taken by Central Government to improve and control the situation in these States?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MANIKRAO GAVIT): (a) As per date available with the National Crime Records Bureau, a statement containing crime details for the last three years, *i.e.* 2001, 2002 and 2003, District wise in different States of the Country is given in the Annexure [See Appendix 204 Annexure No. 9]. It may be mentioned that crime data is being collected on a calendar year basis.

(b) 'Police' and 'Public Order' are state subjects as per the Seventh schedule to the Constitution of India. The detection, registration, investigation and prevention of crimes, is the responsibility of the State Governments. However, the Ministry of Home Affairs has from time to time issued advisories to the State Governments to give more focused attention with a view to improve the administration of the criminal justice system.

Killings by Naxalites

834. SHRI AMAR SINGH:
SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI:
SHRI GIREESH KUMAR SANGHI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Naxalite menace has been spreading its wings in several States like Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand, Karnataka and other States;

(b) if so, what is the number of persons killed by Naxalites in these States during each of the three preceding years; and

(c) whether Government have formulated any strategy to tackle this menace and if so, the details thereof and by when it is likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) Besides the 9 naxal affected States of Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand, Orissa Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Chhattisgarh, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal spreading naxal influence is also seen in varying degrees in some other States *i.e.* Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Kerala and Uttaranchal.

(b) The number of persons (civilians and security forces) killed in naxal violence during the preceding three years is as under:

States	2002	2003	2004
Andhra Pradesh	96	140	74
Jharkhand	157	117	169
Chhattisgarh	55	74	83
Bihar	117	128	171
Maharashtra	29	31	15
Orissa	11	15	8
Uttar Pradesh	6	8	26
Madhya Pradesh	3	1	4
West Bengal	7	1	15
Karnataka	1	-	1
TOTAL:	482	515	566

(c) The Central Government has adopted a multi-pronged strategy to tackle the problem of naxalism which includes (a) having a peace dialogue by the affected States, wherever feasible, with naxal groups willing to abjure violence, (b) modernization and strengthening of the State Police forces, long term deployment of Para Military forces, intensified intelligence based well-coordinated anti-naxalite operations, (c) focused attention on integrated development of the affected areas and (d) removal of socio cultural alienation of people, gearing up of public grievances redressal system and creation of Local Resistance Groups.